

REMARKS

This is a supplemental response relating to the Patent Office actions of December 20, 2005, and May 24, 2006. In order to afford the Applicant a complete scope of claim coverage, there are now added hereto claims 192-196. Favorable action is hereby earnestly solicited. The Applicant requests that these additional claims be taken up at next action.

The newly added claims are supported by the present specification and relate to subject matter already indicated as allowable by the Examiner. In this connection the Examiners' attention is directed to allowed claim 27 in which the claim included the limitation that the proximal and distal bendable members had different diameters. The added independent claims 192 and 195 claim this important feature in a somewhat different format in terms of the cable placements. From an illustrative standpoint, refer to Fig. 4 of the present application and the cables 30A and 30B at the proximal and distal bendable members. Fig. 4 clearly illustrates the different radial distances between the proximal and distal bendable members. The Applicant has also reviewed the prior art cited by the Examiner and does not find any prior patent that discloses this cable placement feature.


CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, the Applicants respectfully submit that all of the claims pending in the above-identified application are in condition for allowance, and a notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

If the present application is found by the Examiner not to be in condition for allowance, then the Applicants hereby request a telephone or personal interview to facilitate the resolution of any remaining matters. Applicants' attorney may be contacted by telephone at the number indicated below to schedule such an interview.

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